

## Ashland Wins From Grants Pass 6-0

Ashland high school football artists ran into the surprise of the season at Grants Pass Saturday and brought home a 6-0 win only after the hardest played game of the year. Although doped to win by a big score the locals found a rejuvenated team at Grants Pass which put up a terrific battle. The Ashland goal line is yet to be crossed, however, the stone wall defense developed by Coach Hutchinson holding in the pinches against the terrific battering of the heavy backs of the Josephine county team. The game was rough throughout and nearly materialized into a free-for-all on several occasions.

Grants Pass worked the ball near enough to Ashland's goal for a try at a place kick, which was smeared by the Ashland linemen. Ashland crossed the Pass goal line in the third quarter after a series of end runs and line bucks.

Coach Klum of Medford was present at the Pass game and kept a careful eye open for new stuff. Captain Delsman was not in the game on account of school requirements, but will be able to play against Medford next Saturday.

Saturday's game completely upset the dope on the coming Medford contest. Ashland appeared to have the edge by about one touchdown by comparison with the scores rolled up by Medford against Klamath Falls, but Medford won from Grants Pass in the latter city 34-0, and odds are now considered to be even. All of Medford is confident of a victory over Ashland as a result of Saturday's score.

Several hundred fans will attend next Saturday's game at Medford. That city is making preparations to make the affair the most memorable of its kind ever held in southern Oregon, and a crowd of 2,000 is expected. The interurban cars and jitneys will be run extra trips in order to handle the crowd from Ashland. Every Ashland high schooler who can raise 75 cents for carfare and admission will go down, and Cheer Leader Leith Abbott expects to have a lusty lunged contingent of about 150 rooters to send forth united words of encouragement to the red and white warriors. One side of the field will be set aside for Ashland rooters, and everybody who attends is urged to "join the crowd."

## Little Rainfall During October

October of this fall was one of the driest Octobers in the past twenty years. But 43 inch of rain fell in Ashland, according to the report of Co-operative Observer Louis Dodge. The rains which fell occurred on the 22nd and 23rd. Twenty-five days were clear, four partly cloudy and two cloudy. The month was ideal from a nice weather standpoint, but from the farmers' standpoint furnished a convincing argument for irrigation.

Oddly enough, the prevailing winds on all but one day of the month were from the northwest. A killing frost occurred on the 11th, when the thermometer registered as low as 28 degrees above zero. The temperature was, on the whole, very uniform, the maximum being 81 degrees on the 5th and the minimum 28 degrees. The mean maximum was in the neighborhood of 70 degrees and minimum about 36 degrees.

## Oregon Building Plans Discussed

The committee of ten appointed from the Commercial Club to investigate the feasibility of removing the Oregon building from the exposition to Ashland held their first meeting Thursday. The committee took under advisement plans whereby the building could be used for a Chautauqua auditorium in addition to other uses, and part of the cost borne by the Chautauqua people, who are contemplating the erection of a new building. G. F. Billings, president of the Chautauqua Association, who is in Los Angeles at present, was wired an outline of the plan, and a possible agreement may be reached. The exposition officials have been asked for an extension of time for Ashland's final decision in regard to the matter.

## Jackson County Valued Fourth

Jackson county stands fourth in the tax valuation of the counties of Oregon. This county is exceeded by Multnomah, Marion and Lane counties.

All the county assessors, save those of Coos, Curry, Hood River, Umatilla, Washington and Jefferson, have forwarded to the state tax commission the tax valuations for the present year. They do not include the valuations of public service corporations which are to be fixed by the tax commission.

The valuations so far as reported are: Baker, \$18,400,340; Benton, \$11,242,710; Clackamas, \$24,242,200; Clatsop, \$18,988,192; Columbia, \$15,087,915; Crook, \$7,552,895; Douglas, \$27,622,865; Gilliam, \$6,848,493.34; Grant, \$6,407,250; Harney, \$8,131,843; Jackson, \$28,311,430; Josephine, \$8,606,520; Klamath, \$14,406,764; Lake, \$9,316,303; Lane, \$35,353,640; Lincoln, \$9,422,980; Linn, \$26,971,660; Malheur, \$8,933,730; Marion, \$37,119,565; Morrow, \$9,731,729; Multnomah, \$28,688,255; Polk, \$12,794,110; Sherman, \$6,257,040; Tillamook, \$20,319,885; Union, \$16,067,975; Wallowa, \$10,828,655; Wasco, \$12,574,550; Wheeler, \$4,154,343; Yamhill, \$15,257,347.

## Civic Luncheon at Oregon Tomorrow

The Ashland Civic Improvement Club's luncheon at the Oregon tomorrow afternoon promises to be one of the biggest events in the local club world of the season. The luncheon hour is set for 1 o'clock sharp. Plates 50 cents. The club has extended a most cordial invitation to the ladies of the city who are not club members and strangers particularly, to attend, and will make the affair a big get-together meeting. Following the banquet the club will meet in the hotel parlors at 2:30 for annual election of officers and business meeting. During the past year the Civic Club has taken a leading part in city affairs and has accomplished wonders. Plans will be laid at Tuesday's meeting preliminary to the spring campaign along various civic betterment lines.

## Dope Gives Rivals An Even Break

To date Ashland football team has won four games, defeating Klamath Falls 26-0 and 20-0, Grants Pass 19-0 and 6-0. Total 71, opponents 0. Medford beat Klamath Falls 24-6, 20-13 and Grants Pass 12-7, 34-0. Total, Medford 90, opponents 26. Thus Medford has scored 64 points over the same opponents over which Ashland scored 71. Medford has shown a wonderful offense in every game so far and has a defense which may be reckoned with. Ashland has an uncrossed goal line, which would indicate a superior defense. Whether the Ashland defense will stop the Medford offense remains to be seen Saturday. Ashland's scoring machine has been sadly disrupted in the last two games with the absence of Captain Delsman from the lineup. Delsman missed four days of school on account of outside duties, and under the Oregon high school conference rules was ineligible for the past two games. However, he is now eligible and will be in the lineup Saturday. That Ashland will score is universally conceded in Ashland if not in Medford, and the southern Oregon championship would appear to hinge on the locals' ability to keep Medford away from striking distance of their goal. All indications point toward the closest game in the history of athletic relations between the valley schools. More football interest has developed this year than ever before, and all of Ashland who are unable to attend Saturday's game at Medford will anxiously await the returns. The last game of the series will be played in Ashland on Thanksgiving day.

Notice.  
Miss Carland wishes to announce to the ladies that are interested in the sewing class that the class will begin Tuesday afternoon, and any one that is interested may call at 244 Hargadine street or phone 264-J for information.

## City's Actual Bonded Indebtedness Being Paid By Gen. Tax, \$221,628

| BONDED INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OREGON. |              |             |              |               |
|---|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Bonds.  | Original.    | Amt. Paid.  | Balance.     | Cash on Hand. |
| Electric light....                                  | \$105,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | \$90,000.00  | \$12,516.24   |
| Water .....   | 73,000.00    | 15,000.00   | 58,000.00    | 12,770.67     |
| St. Intersections..                                 | 80,000.00    | 42,000.00   | 37,500.00    |               |
| Sewer trunk line..                                  | 20,000.00    | 12,000.00   | 8,000.00     |               |
| Septic tanks.....                                   | 12,000.00    | 6,000.00    | 6,000.00     |               |
| Fire protection...                                  | 6,000.00     | 2,000.00    | 4,000.00     | \$871.71      |
| Auxiliary water...                                  | 175,000.00   |             | 175,000.00   |               |
|   | \$471,000.00 | \$92,500.00 | \$378,500.00 | \$34,158.62   |

The above bonds are a lien on the city of Ashland and are paid by taxation.

The electric light bonds and the water bonds are taken care of from receipts for sale of current and water. In the electric light department there is set aside each month the sum of \$730 for a sinking fund and \$200 for depreciation.

In the water department there is set aside each month the sum of \$750 sinking fund for the payment of interest and bonds. In each of these two funds the running expenses and all betterments have been taken care of and there is a surplus at this date in each of the funds:

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| Water, \$8,193.52.                                 |  |
| Light, \$4,504.96.                                 |  |
| Plus \$3,150, bonds and accounts drawing interest. |  |

| Bonds.            | Original.    | Amt. Paid.   | Balance.     | Cash on Hand. |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Paving .....      | \$234,653.27 | \$82,567.00  | \$152,086.27 | \$9,241.27    |
| Sewers .....      | 26,103.20    | 15,471.00    | 10,632.20    | 3,433.40      |
| Cement sidewalks  | 19,260.92    | 3,000.00     | 16,260.92    | 635.00        |
| Curb and gutter.. | 1,995.81     | 210.00       | 1,785.81     | 619.42        |
|                   | \$273,013.20 | \$101,248.00 | \$171,765.20 | \$13,929.09   |

Dated this 30th day of October, 1915. C. H. GILLETTE, City Recorder.

The above statement of Ashland's bonded indebtedness includes every cent for which bonds are now outstanding. A careful study of the above statement will reveal a condition of affairs in Ashland's finances which should be a source of gratification.

First let us call attention to a statement in the above which could be easily misinterpreted. Below the general bonds Recorder Gillette says: "The above bonds are a lien on the city of Ashland and are paid by taxation." Immediately after he states that the water and light bonds are being taken care of by receipts for sale of current. Hence there is a chance for misunderstanding in the first statement. No discussion need be entered into here regarding the water and light funds. The people of Ashland receive water and light at rates as low if not lower than any city in Oregon, and the fact that the plants are paying off their own cost is indeed gratifying.

The Bancroft or special assessment bonds are paid by the property owners of adjacent property and need not enter into any discussion of the bonds which are paid by the taxes on the people as a whole.

Considering, then, the general bonds, we find that the street and water bonds balance still due is \$148,000 and that the plants are taking care of these. Hence we may subtract this amount from the total balance of \$378,500 as listed above and also subtract the \$8,871.71 cash on hand, leaving a total of \$221,628.29 as the total amount of bonded indebtedness which is being paid by general taxation.

## Returns to Medford Home

Miss Dorothy Connor of Medford, one of the survivors of the Lusitania disaster, returned Thursday from England, where she has been since the wreck of the big liner. Miss Connor is a trained nurse and was en route to the front to take service with the Red Cross when the Lusitania was torpedoed.

The Lusitania was torpedoed by a German submarine on May 7, when within a few miles of the Irish coast, and 1,400 lives were lost, among them 100 Americans. Miss Connor, with other survivors, was taken to Queenstown.

## Artesian Water In Shasta Valley

Yreka News: Dr. G. W. Dwinell of Montague has struck artesian water on his property two miles east of the Shasta River bridge. This is a large well and the water is running over the road in that neighborhood and will probably necessitate changing the road. The News is informed that there will be other wells bored in Shasta valley and that it may mean a big thing to the farmers of that valley and solve the irrigation problem to the best advantage.

Allen & Lyle of Portland expect to build warehouse in Eugene.

## Gold Hill Boy Lost in Shipwreck

Delmar Bogue, six-year-old son of Mrs. William Bogue of Gold Hill, was one of twelve passengers drowned when the coast steamer Santa Clara was wrecked off the south entrance to Coos Bay last Tuesday. There were 48 passengers aboard. The Santa Clara operated between San Francisco and Portland via Coos Bay and Eureka. The steamer went ashore in a heavy gale. Mrs. Bogue was with her son on the ill-fated ship but was rescued. She and her son were en route to visit her son who is engaged in fishing on Coos Bay. Mr. Bogue is in Alaska.

## St. Elmo Coming This Week at Lyric

"St. Elmo," the famous play which is familiar to almost everyone, has been adopted into a moving picture by the Mutual people and makes an even better picture than it did a play. It will be shown at the Lyric Theatre Thursday and Friday of this week.

The county court has included an appropriation for the Jackson county fair in their budget for the coming year. The County Merchants' Association has promised their active aid and plans are already being laid for the biggest fair yet for next fall.

## Paving Plan at Medford Election

Medford is on the eve of a crisis in the history of the city. Tomorrow in that city an election will be held to vote upon an amendment to the city charter which has become known as the Medynski plan. Councilman Medynski was the originator of the plan, which proposes to rebond the city for the total amount of the paving assessments. According to the Medford Tribune, the new bonds which might be sold under the plan would increase the city's debt to \$1,701,250, which would be larger than any city's in Oregon.

Both Medford daily papers are opposed to the plan and many of the prominent citizens have taken up arms against it. However, the plan would offer immediate relief to the speculators and heavy property owners and it may be that it will appear enticing enough to the majority of the voters to get by the election. Of course, disposal of the bonds would be another bridge to be crossed by the Medynski backers.

Throughout Oregon the progress of Medford's plans to lighten the paving load is being watched with great interest. Medford is unfortunate in having been overpaved, having twenty-four miles of pavement to a population of 9,000.

## Oregon Baby Home Deserving of Help

In Portland there is a model charitable institution known as "The Baby Home." The tiny orphans, waifs, foundlings and orphans, of all Oregon are there given a chance to become credits to the world that so misused them at the outset. During its existence the home has cared for more than 1,400 indigent infants—and found them good homes. There is a constant worry in the managerial office over the shortage of funds, though. To brighten things up a bit, it has been suggested that the home be given a shower by kindly people all over Oregon on Thanksgiving day—clothing, food supplies, flour, fruit, jellies, etc., or money in small amounts. If you want to know the address, it is 111 Grand avenue, Portland, Ore., for packages, and 623 Chamber of Commerce for letters.

## Exposition Closes December Fourth

President Moore of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition has announced that the exposition will close on December 4. More Ashland people have attended the exposition than from any other city in the southern part of the state. This is due in part to the fact that Ashland is a division point on the Southern Pacific and many of the employees make their home here. Thus many families have gone to the fair on passes. However, while no definite figures are as yet obtainable, it is believed that the ticket sale from Ashland exceeded that from any of the other valley cities.

Many Ashlanders who have planned to visit the big show and have been delayed will leave during the next two weeks. Returning visitors report the San Francisco weather to be ideal.

## Sunday Closing Law Held Invalid

Oregon's Sunday closing law, which has been on the statutes many years, but which no attempt has been made to enforce until a month ago, was declared invalid by the state circuit court last week. Dan Kellaher, groceryman, charged with violating the law, was found not guilty. The law was declared invalid on the grounds that it specified that certain lines of business should not be conducted on "the Lord's day." The court held this to be religious discrimination.

Following a decision some time ago several counties attempted to enforce the Sunday law. The Kellaher case will probably go to a higher court.

Reports say new planing mill will be built in Roseburg this winter.

A milk condenser plant is talked of for Cottage Grove.

## Just a Joke on Klamath Falls

The Klamath Falls football team are some alibists. In Ashland they were "doped in their drinking water" and in Medford they were "probably affected by the lower altitude." Haven't heard yet what happened in Grants Pass, where they were defeated again, but we are sure of one thing, and that is that the referees nerve did not fail. Up until now we thought we would let a very good joke go by unmentioned, but it is too good to keep. On the day after the Ashland game the Klamath referee called together the officials who handled the game and announced that the score should have been 14 to 0 instead of 20 to 0. He calmly stated that he had blown his whistle simultaneously with the timekeeper's whistle just as the last touchdown was made by Ashland and that he had meant to call a foul for tripping, which would have, of course, put the ball back at its starting place and rendered the touchdown null. He had forgotten to call the other officials or any of the team's attention to the foul or to mention it to any one the day before, and had not taken the ball back and had allowed Ashland to attempt to kick the goal. However, he had meant to do all this and thought it best to tell Ashland about it so that there would be no misunderstanding concerning the score.

We should rather judge that the referee had spent a sleepless night worrying about it. According to Klamath friends, the referee has a lawyer's shingle hung out in that city and it may be merely a lawyer's ponderous way of making a decision to wait until the next day. The Klamathon informed Coach Hutchinson that "of course the decision did not affect the result of the game, but that the smaller score the better it would please the people back in dear old Klamath Falls." If the Ashland boys had understood before the game that their visitor had felt that way about it, we can't see how they could have been so cruel as to run up a twenty-point score.

Anyway, we will bet that he is a good lawyer.

## Former Ashlander Dead at Roseburg

Mrs. B. F. Morgan, wife of a well-known Southern Pacific fireman and for several years a resident of Ashland, died at her home in Roseburg Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Her death followed a hemorrhage and sudden attack of illness. Mrs. Morgan was found unconscious on the floor when her three children returned from school at noon. Roseburg doctors attribute her death to a severe case of uraemic poisoning. The death came as a shock to Mrs. Morgan's many Roseburg and Ashland friends, as she had been in good health and had pursued her usual household duties on the morning of her attack.

Mr. Morgan arrived in Roseburg a half hour before his wife's death. The funeral was held Thursday. Interment in Roseburg Masonic cemetery.

Mrs. Morgan was born at Etna, Cal., where she has a number of relatives. She was 36 years of age. She had lived in Oregon for fourteen years, eight of which were spent in Roseburg, her husband being employed on the railroad. Prior to her residence in Roseburg she spent several years at Ashland. Besides her husband, she is survived by Gertrude, Joseph and Benny, her three children; Mrs. Sarah Marx, her mother, who has made her home here; Martin, George and Homer, her brothers, and Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, her sister, who resides at Etna, Cal., and Mrs. Anna Richardson, her sister, of Stewart Point, Cal.

## Oregon Editors Meet at Salem

The Oregon State Editorial Association convened in Salem Friday morning and continued over Sunday. Among the prominent speakers were heads of several of the big dailies, Prof. Allen of the University of Oregon school of journalism and state officials. Editor B. R. Greer of the Tidings was in attendance.

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